

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as set forth hereinbelow.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3 line 3 and extending to page 3 line 7 with the following replacement paragraph:

A9). U.S. utility patent Application No. / , (~~not yet assigned; Docket No. ALG06NP~~) 09/788,303 entitled "Cylindrical processing of a optical media" filed concurrently with the present application in the names of Peter C. Sercel, Kerry J. Vahala, David W. Vernooy, and Guido Hunziker, said application being hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3 line 8 and extending to page 3 line 12 with the following replacement paragraph:

A10). U.S. utility patent Application No. / , (~~not yet assigned; Docket No. ALG07NP~~) 09/788,331 entitled "Fiber-ring optical resonators" filed concurrently with the present application in the names of Peter C. Sercel, Kerry J. Vahala, David W. Vernooy, Guido Hunziker, and Robert B. Lee, said application being hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3 line 13 and extending to page 3 line 17 with the following replacement paragraph:

A11). U.S. utility patent Application No. / , (~~not yet assigned; Docket No. ALG08NP~~) 09/788,300 entitled "Resonant optical filter" filed concurrently with the present application in the names of Kerry J. Vahala, Peter C. Sercel, David W. Vernooy, Oskar J. Painter, and Guido Hunziker, and said application being hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 3 line 18 and extending to page 3 line 22.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12 line 24 and extending to page 12 line 25 with the following replacement paragraph:

Figures ~~9A and 9B~~ 9A, 9B, 9C, and 9D show a WGM resonator on an optical fiber with alignment and/or indexing structures provided thereon according to the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph on page 13 line 22 with the following replacement paragraph:

~~Figure 22 shows~~ Figures 22A and 22B schematically
illustrate the spectral properties of ~~a~~ coupled optical resonator ~~system~~ systems.